SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI :—"கைதி செய்யப்பட்ட மரமேறிகளில் எத்தனை பேருக்கு அபராதம் விதிக்கப்பட்டது? எத்தனை பேருக்கு சிறை தண்டனை விதிக்கப்பட்டது?"

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" A separate question may be put."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" Just a few minutes back, the Hon. Minister said that thousands of people were patronising the neera parlour last year. In view of that fact, will the Government undertake a State-wide campaign to popularise this beverage of neera and incidentally give employment to ex-toddy tappers? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The Government will consider the suggestion."

Market for hides and skins in Madras.

* 915 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the action taken to bring to Madras the market for hides and skins ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Government of India have been addressed in the matter."

Inoculation against cholera during " Kanduri Festival " at Nagore, Tanjore district.

* 916 *Q.*—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI (on behalf of Sri N. Sivaraj) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many people were inoculated as a precaution against cholera during ' Kanduri Festival ' at Nagore in Tanjore district during 1954 ; and

(*b*) how many vaccinators were engaged during the festival for this purpose?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) 36,113, Sir.

" (*b*) Eight Special Health Inspectors and two Health Assistants."

Issue of permits for alcoholic drinks in Tanjore district.

* 917 *Q.*—SRI A. K. SUBBIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many persons applied for the grant of permits for the purchase of alcoholic drinks during 1952–53 in Tanjore district; and

(*b*) how many permits were granted?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) Five persons (three Indians and two non-Indians).

" (*b*) All were granted liquor permits."

[18th May 1954

SRI A. K. SUBBIAH :—" மொத்த பர்மிட்காரர்களில் அதிகாரிகள் எத்தனை பேர் ? அதிகாரிகளல்லாதவர்கள் எத்தனை பேர் ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I cannot give the information off-hand. A separate question may be put."

Expenditure incurred on Grow More Food Schemes.

* 918 *Q*.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the total amount spent by the Food Production Department and the total extent of lands brought under cultivation so far up to 1953 in Madras State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The following are the particulars :—

Composite Madras State.

Year.	*Total gross expenditure (rupees in lakhs).*	*Net expenditure (rupees in lakhs).*	*Total extent benefited under all Grow More Food Schemes (in lakhs of acres).*
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1949–50	626·04	186·99	26·42
1950–51	946·32	289·51	22·65
1951–52	777.46	291·92	24·22
1952–53	10,23·72	247·02	19·90 "

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" What is the expenditure in terms of quantum of production? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I am unable to understand what the hon. Member means by asking for expenditure in terms of production."

Deaths due to opening of fire and lathi charges.

* 919 *Q*.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state with reference to the answer to unstarred question No. 16, dated the 6th January 1954, the number of persons who died as a result of the opening of fire and lathi charges?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The number of persons who died on account of the opening of fire was eight. There was no case of death on account of the lathi charges."

Electricity scheme for Madukkarai area in Coimbatore district.

* 920 *Q*.—SRI R. KUPPUSWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have sanctioned any electricity scheme for a sub-station at a cost of Rs. 1 crore under the Five-Year Plan at Madukkarai area in Coimbatore district;

(*b*) if so, when it will be taken up for execution by the Government?